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1. Soviet army authorities in the Port Arthur-Dairen area are now constructing port facilities at Huanglungwei (121-52, 39-03). Recently, all foreign and Chinese residents of this area were forced by the Soviet authorities to move.

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2. Approximately 500 Soviet soldiers, commanded by Colonel Labenefsky, are at Wulachieh (126-27, 44-05), approximately 20 miles north of Kirin. These troops are acting as advisers to Chinese Communist troops in the construction of defense works and an airfield on the outskirts of Kirin\*.
3. CHEN Wei-ming (陳維明) is the Communist commander of the Kirin Garrison Headquarters.

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4. Soviet and Chinese Communist personnel are jointly handling administration of stations on the Chinese Changchun (Chungchang) Railroad.
5. The Communist Northeast Administrative Committee\*\* recently set 1 September 1949 as the deadline for completing repair of the highways between Harbin and Dairen, and of all bridges and railroad stations along the Chungchang Railroad.

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6. In Mukden the price of one Manchurian tael (approximately 1.4 ounces) of gold is Communist Northeast Currency (NEC) \$12,500,000. NEC \$180 equals People's Currency (PC) \$1.\*\*\*

5 June 1949, except as noted

7. In late May 1949 the French steamship BRIS (sic) arrived in Yingkow from Hong Kong with a cargo consisting mostly of industrial machinery and medicines, on which no customs duties were imposed. Customs duties of more than 100 percent were imposed on all other cargo unloaded at Yingkow by the BRIS\*\*\*.
8. The present mayor of Yingkow is LI P'ing (李萍), who was formerly head of the Yingkow Communist People's Court and director of the Yingkow Harbor Administrative Bureau.
9. Recently the British-American Tobacco Company in Yingkow was taken over completely by the Yingkow municipal government, and the factory is now operating at full capacity.

\*  Comment. According to information available there is an airfield  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles northeast of the Kirin railroad station. Perhaps this airfield is being repaired.

\*\*\*\*  Comment. A Chinese Communist broadcast on 24 May 1949 announced that Yingkow was open to domestic and foreign shipping.

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